## **ABSTRACT**

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A method for communicating with an appliance includes: an embedded server of the appliance, which stores a control program and a component loader, transmits the component loader to an application server; the component loader in the application server causes a business application stored in a component server to be transmitted to the application server; and the business application is executed in the application server and effects communication between a client program, which is executed on a client computer, and the control program, which is executed on the embedded server. This permits communication between the client program and the control program to be set up and conducted, the business application used for this purpose being automatically loaded into the application server.